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**EARLIER TELEGRAMS.**  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
**PARIS CONFERENCE.**  
It will be further proposed that no food-stuffs shall be carried to the enemy until a just settlement of the seamen's claims has been made.  
LATER  
Paris, January 15th.  
A Havas message states:—  
Most probably French will be the official language at the Conference.  
**THOUSAND JOURNALISTS ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE.**  
Paris, January 15th.  
A thousand Journalists are attending the Peace Conference of whom 600 are Americans.  
**ARMISTICE COMMISSION LEAVES FOR TREVES.**  
The Armistice Commission has departed for Treves.  
**MARSHAL FOCH TO DICTATE NEW TERMS.**  
Paris, January 15th.  
A Havas message states:—  
The important announcement was made at the Meeting of the Supreme War Council that there was a sufficient supply of food for relief purposes in Allied liberated territories.  
Marshal Foch has gone to Treves to dictate the new Armistice terms and exact retributions for the murder and ill-treatment of Allied prisoners since the cessation of hostilities.  
He will also demand prompt restitution of machinery and goods stolen from Belgium and France.  
Much of the stolen property is warehoused at Bremen.  
A complete list of Germany's organised robberies have been obtained.  
The new financial clauses do not permit the dissipation of German mobile wealth. Germany's gold reserve has been taken from Berlin to a safe place and amounts to two and a half milliards.

**JOINT COMMUNIQUE.**  
LONDON, January 15.  
A communiqué from Paris states that hitherto it has been the practice for the Governments participating in the preliminary peace conversations to issue separate communications regarding the proceedings. From today it has been decided to issue a joint communiqué of which the following is the English text adopted by the British and American delegations.—  
The President of the United States and the Prime Ministers and Foreign Ministers of Allied Governments, assisted by the Japanese Ambassadors in Paris and London, held two meetings to-day lasting for four and a half hours during which the examination of the rules of the Conference was continued and almost completed.

**ARMISTICE TERMS.**  
LONDON, January 15th.  
In connection with the demobilisation problems and the fact that the second Armistice period concludes on January 17th, when the Associated Powers must carefully reconsider the terms of the renewal of the Armistice, it is noteworthy that Germany has hitherto failed in many respects to carry out the terms imposed.  
The shortages in the deliveries include 4,700 locomotives; 100,000 trucks; 5,000 motor-cars; nearly 200 heavy guns, including all types; 1,000 trench-mortars; 7,000 machine-guns; 600 aeroplanes.  
On this subject the *Daily Chronicle* urges the Associated Powers to take a firm line and when renewing the Armistice to stipulate for the right of occupation of any strategic position.  
The Associated Powers desire to preserve order and secure their own safety and to lay down definite measures for demobilisation, thus bringing the German Armistice into line with other Armistices.  
The journal urges that while these objections are unrefuted we must maintain larger forces in the field than we should otherwise need. Simultaneously we should secure the abandonment of German military designs against Prussian Poland and the eviction from Germany of all Russian Bolshevik Agents.

**MEETING OF SUPREME WAR COUNCIL.**  
LONDON, January 15th.  
At a meeting of the Supreme War Council, yesterday afternoon, the following subjects were discussed:—The employment of German Shipping; the surrender of submarines under repair; the transfer of railway stock; the financial clauses of the Armistice.  
**NO CENSORSHIP OF MESSAGES.**  
LONDON, January 15th.  
The Foreign Office announces that there will be no censorship of British correspondents' messages from Paris during the Peace Conference.

**RELIEF WORK.**  
LONDON, January 14th.  
The Press Bureau announces:—  
A message from Paris states that the third meeting of the Supreme Council of Supply and Relief, on Monday, considered the present position of relief work in Belgium, Northern France, south-eastern Europe, and Northern Europe.  
Generally speaking, there is a sufficient world-supply of food to meet the needs of the Allies and the liberated territories. All possible steps are being taken to meet them and to solve the connected financial and transport questions.  
It was agreed that all four countries should participate in financial arrangements.  
Consideration was also given to food supplies for the neutrals and Bulgarians.  
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**EARLIER TELEGRAMS.**  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
**PARIS CONFERENCE.**  
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]  
**CONFERENCE TO OPEN ON JANUARY 18TH.**  
Paris, January 14th.  
President Poincaré opens the Peace Conference on January 18th, although M. Clemenceau will preside at the actual meeting.  
The representatives of the Dominions and India, with their staffs, are at present in Paris. They number 75 persons.  
**CONFERENCE'S FIRST FULL SESSION.**  
The first full session of the Peace Conference, with all delegates properly accredited, will be held on Saturday next in the Quai d'Orsay. The postponement has been caused by the difficulty of settling procedure and by the military problems arising out of the confused state of Russia, Poland and Germany. The number of representatives has been decided as follows: Five each for Great Britain, France, United States, Italy and Japan; three for Brazil; one for Portugal, and Siam and two for each of the other powers.

**THE RUSSIAN QUESTION THE MOST DIFFICULT ONE.**  
Paris, January 15th.  
As it is impossible for Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Bismarck to remain constantly in Paris when either is absent he will probably be replaced in the British Delegation by one of the Overseas delegates.  
The Russian question, which is the thorniest, will be one of the first questions to be discussed at the Peace Conference.  
The situation is causing the gravest anxiety and perplexity to all Allied statesmen. Speaking on the subject, one high authority declared that no peace, leaving half of Europe and half of Asia in a state of chaos, out of which another general war might easily spring, can be safe.  
**ALLIES' PERPLEXITY.**  
On the other hand there is no agreement regarding the way in which the problem should be approached, and none of the Governments has accurate and reliable information about what has happened in Russia.  
In Poland the Allied Powers have to deal with two Governments and also a Polish National Committee.  
**DOMINION REPRESENTATION.**  
It is understood that the Dominion representatives will attend the general Conference whenever the smaller Allies are invited to participate.  
Thus the Dominions will be placed on the same standing as Belgium and Serbia.  
It is understood, however, that two of the Dominion Delegates will attend the Conference of the big States, whenever they are invited to do so.  
Thus when the German African Colonies are discussed, South Africa will have at least two delegates. When Germany's Pacific possessions are being considered Australia will have two, and New Zealand one delegate.  
One delegate also has been allotted to the Native States of India.  
The correspondent points out that this decision constitutes by far the most striking recognition which has yet been given internationally to the self-governing parts of the great units of the Empire.  
**DOMINIONS ASK TO BE REGARDED AS SEPARATE NATIONS.**  
Paris, January 15th.  
At the preliminary discussions of the Peace Conference the Imperial Government, also the Dominions' Ministers, expressed the view that the right of nationhood of the Dominions should be acknowledged and whenever their special interests were concerned, they should have a separate voice in the Peace Conference.  
The Home Powers, however, are strenuously contesting this view, and consider the Dominions' representation by the Imperial authorities sufficient.  
**INTERNAL RELATIONS OF EMPIRE MUST BE OVERHAULED.**  
LONDON, January 15th.  
The *Times*' Correspondent in Paris, states that the Dominion Delegates are delighted with the decision as regards their representation at the Peace Conference.  
They especially warmly appreciate Mr. Lloyd George's advocacy of their claims and see in the arrangement the creation of a precedent in Imperial affairs which is bound to lead to further developments.  
One Dominion representative, in an interview, said that the Dominions had now received "recognition" and there apparently was no doubt that the Peace Conference will have to be followed by an extremely important Imperial Conference at which the internal relations of the Empire must be overhauled.  
**THE NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES.**  
LONDON, January 15th.  
A communiqué states:—  
It has been decided among other things, that the United States, the British Empire, France, Italy and Japan shall be represented by five delegates each. The shall be represented by two delegates respectively, for Australia, Canada, South Africa and India including Native states, and one for New Zealand; Brazil by three; Belgium, China, Greece, Poland, Portugal, Czechoslovakia, Roumania and Serbia by two each; Siam, Cuba, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Nicaragua, Panama by one each. Montenegro will also have one delegate, but the rules concerning the Montenegro's representation will not be fixed until the country's political situation is clarified.  
**BRITISH SAILORS' GRIEVANCE.**  
LONDON, January 15th.  
The Executive of the Seamen's Union has passed a resolution regretting that it was not invited to send representatives to the Peace Conference to give evidence regarding German sea outrages, and therefore, deciding to call an International Conference of Allied and Neutral seamen for the purpose of urging that no real commerce shall be carried on with the enemies until they compensate the relatives of the men they murdered at sea.

**GERMAN SHIPPING.**  
The Berlin newspaper "Vorwärts" published in July an article on the present position and future prospects of German shipping and shipbuilding industries as it might have been had the war ended otherwise than it has done. The writer draws a sharp distinction between the large shipping enterprises, which together control about nine-tenths of German shipping, and the small. The former, situated mostly in Hamburg and Bremen, have suffered very heavily from the war. Apart from the direct loss of ships, their overseas activities have been completely crippled, and the large size of most of their remaining vessels makes it impossible for them to work at a profit in the Baltic.  
Before the war the average dividends of these companies were 5 per cent. and 6 cent. Now the majority pay nothing, and in no case have there been dividends of over 3 per cent. At the same time, in view of the need of more ships after the war, almost all these companies have increased their capital, as owing to the enormous increase in the cost of shipbuilding (some 300 per cent. to 350 per cent. over peace prices), existing capital will not be sufficient to enable them to restore their fleets.  
The smaller companies, on the other hand, trading on the borders of the North Sea and in the Baltic, have reaped a golden harvest, and while before the war many were paying no dividends at all, dividends in 1916 worked out at 5 per cent. to 25 per cent., and in 1917 at from 10 per cent. to 40 per cent. The scarcity of tonnage has forced up prices of every type of old ship, and vessels which before the war would not fetch more than £10 per ton now command at least £50 to £75 per ton.  
In strong contrast is the position of the shipbuilding industry. There is little competition either for current naval orders or for post bellum merchant ship construction. Yards that before the war paid no dividend at all, or at most 1 per cent., are now writing off huge sums, and distributing in addition dividends as high as 20 per cent.  
By the side of the twenty-two old yards fourteen new ones have sprung up, and a further six or seven are planned. Of these last the most important are the Deutsche Werft A/G, the Imperial Motorenwerke A/G, the Neue Tritonwerke, and a giant new shipbuilding company connected with a large Rheinisch steel plant and machine works, and controlled by Rickmers interests. The Deutsche Werft A/G is to have a capital of £500,000 supplied by the Hamburg-America Line, the A.E.G., and the Gutehoffnungshütte A/G, of Oberhausen, a Haniel concern. The city of Hamburg has leased to the company, for a period of the Elbe island of Finkenwärden. The company will devote special attention to the building of ships driven by crude oil motors. The Imperator works, for the building of marine motors, are also a creation of the H.A.L. and the A.E.G., this time in collaboration with Stinnes interests. The Triton works, at Luebeck, with a temporary capital of £25,000, have already purchased land from the city for the erection of yards and auxiliary buildings. The Rickmers Company will have its headquarters outside the building of twelve fast ore-carrying steamers. The affiliated steel and machine factories will supply all requisite plates and machinery.  
It is satisfactory to find that these yards are being equipped to restore to the allies the shipping tonnage that has been sunk by German submarines.

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**NEW IRONWORKS AT NAGASAKI.**  
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For the present the pig-iron will be sold as such, but the company propose to watch for an opportunity to manufacture steel materials. The articles of association include mining and business incidental thereto in the company's programme.  
The main supply of iron will be obtained from the Yaguchi Valley, while Korean and other ore will be admitted. The coke used will be principally manufactured from Chikuhō or Hizen (both in Kyushū) coal, though it is intended to mix in some coal from Kaiping (China) or Yamatogawa.  
The foundry will require one year for completion. The equipment is to be obtained from America. The cost of starting the enterprise is estimated at ¥3,740,000, one-third to be disbursed in the first half year, and the remainder in the second. The sum is divided as follows:—  
Cost of erecting foundry ..... 2,400,000  
Cost of erecting "hub" blast-furnace ..... 1,350,000  
The equipment will include one smelting furnace having a daily capacity of 100 tons, and one coke-furnace. The production during the first working year is estimated at 14,000 tons of pig-iron, and the motive power used will be steam.



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at Washington granted permission for the  
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and rehabilitated Russia.

## WAR FACTORIES FOR PEACE WORK.

It is believed that the factories in  
Dublin and throughout Ireland which are  
known as "national" factories will not  
close with the return of peace, but will  
be turned into industrial concerns, and  
that a large proportion of the staffs will  
be retained for this purpose. Firms  
which transferred their activities from  
industrial work to the making of war  
material will be able to get back easily  
to their pre-war occupations.

## SOME WORDS OF MOMENT.

Our real failure as a nation is that we  
keep disorderly numbers.—T. Dove Keigh-  
ley.If Germanism resembles Judaism, it is  
as a monkey resembles a man.—Israel  
Zangwill.The individual home is the solid rock  
and basis of every strong, intelligent  
race.—Lord Leverhulme.People think too much of a person's  
sanctity and too little of his humanity,  
and it's bad for everybody.—Rev. T.  
Tippley, C.F.If men and women were profoundly  
convinced that God exists, there would be  
a bloodless revolution; we should all  
begin to act like rational creatures.—  
Harold Begbie.

## AMERICAN MOVING PICTURES.

Enough of American motion picture  
films to stretch around the world at the  
equator were exported from the United  
States in the fiscal year 1918. The total  
length of films exported in the fiscal year  
ending with June was, in round terms,  
160,000,000 feet, amounting in total to  
over 80,000 miles, and of these nearly  
100,000,000 were "exposed" films ready  
for use; the remainder "unexposed"  
films for the United States is now the  
world's largest manufacturer of films for  
the camera and projecting machine.  
Even this enormous exportation of  
190,000,000 feet, or more than 80,000  
miles, falls below the record of 1917.  
More than 200,000,000 feet of motion  
picture films made in the United States  
were sent to foreign countries and our  
own colonies in the fiscal year of 1918.  
180,000,000 in 1917 and 185,000,000 in  
1916.

## INTER-CASTE MARRIAGE BILL.

A meeting of the Hindu citizens of  
Madras was held to protest against Mr.  
Patel's Inter-caste Bill. After a short  
speech from the chairman who pointed  
out that those who did not sympathise  
with the object of the meeting would not  
be allowed to speak, Mr. Iyer began to  
move the first resolution as follows:—  
"The Hindu citizens of Madras in  
public meeting assembled:—The mover  
was not allowed to finish reading his  
resolution. The chairman was asked by  
several members of the audience to  
amend the resolution so as to confine  
the protest to a certain section of the  
Hindu community, and not to all. Owing  
to the chaos that prevailed, the chairman  
sought the aid of the police, and the  
meeting was ultimately dissolved.

## INDRAGIRI RUBBER, LTD.

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have reported for the first financial year  
ended July 31, 1918. The net profit for  
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rei Lahah, amounts to \$31,458.48 as  
shown by that company's profit and loss  
account which has been transferred as  
dividend to your company's profit and  
loss account. From this must be deduct-  
ed the interim dividend of 5 per cent.  
free of war tax paid in February last  
amounting to \$29,500 and Straits Settle-  
ments war tax amounting to \$5,219.86,  
leaving a balance of \$26,738.52 avail-  
able for distribution. They recommend  
that this amount be dealt with as follows:  
Transfer to reserve account... \$10,000.00  
Dividend of 21 per cent. free  
of war tax... 14,738.52  
Carry forward to next account... 1,988.32  
\$26,738.52

## HOBBIES.

Dr. E. N. Graham, author of the use-  
ful and handy "Planter's Medical  
Guide," says the "Staite Echo" has  
told us that every man to keep mentally  
and physically fit should have two hob-  
bies, one outdoor and the other indoor.  
Well here is the authentic story of the  
general whose hobby was gas-helmets.  
He used to go about the trenches seeing  
whether he could catch anyone without  
one—and you bet he did. "One  
day he came up and discovered that he  
had forgotten his own. So the first  
soldier he met he stopped, took his gas  
helmet, and slung it over his arm. And  
the next moment whom should he meet  
but one of our boys, without a helmet?  
"What's the meaning of this?" he asked.  
"Where's your helmet?" The sub stam-  
pered something about having left it in  
his dug out. "I don't believe you would  
know how to put it on, even if you had  
one," said the G.O.C. "Take mine and  
show me how you put it on." The sub  
took it and opened it and out fell a pair of  
dirty socks, a hill flatter towel, a packet  
of Woodbines—and an obscene postcard.  
They never got straight about gas helmets  
again.

## THE COST OF LIVING.

Household budgets to the number of  
1,300 were examined by the working-  
classes Cost of Living Committee, whose  
report was issued as a White Paper.  
The items of expenditure taken into ac-  
count were: Food, rent, clothing, fuel,  
insurance, household sundries, and fares.  
Beer, tobacco, and recreation were ex-  
cluded. The increase in weekly expendi-  
ture on food between June, 1914, and  
June, 1918, is from 21s. 11d. to 47s. 3d.,  
that is, 90 per cent. This percentage may  
be regarded as the maximum. The re-  
sult may also be stated thus: that the  
increase in food expenditure has been  
for each man 5s.; for a family with one  
earner and three dependent children 10s.  
6d.; and for the standard family with two  
earners, 20s. The final increases per  
cent. in the cost of living are given for  
skilled workmen's families 67, semi-  
skilled 75, and unskilled 81 per cent.  
After making various allowances, the  
Committee finally estimate the general  
average rise in expenditure from July,  
1914, to July, 1918, at 74 per cent. Since  
July, however, there have been further  
rises; so that in September last the in-  
crease is placed at nearly 80 per cent.

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a compromise; alternatively she is quite  
content to take up a position on the fence  
and wait the sequence of events as to  
which is the right side to come down on.  
She has followed her national characteris-  
tics in the war. Now that victory has  
unmistakably declared on which side it  
lies, she is prepared to come out in the  
limelight. After certain good works in  
the shape of the very valuable labour  
corps that has been at work in Europe,  
and after many hesitations as to treat-  
ment of alien enemies in her midst, she  
has a new-found zeal when the Armis-  
tice declares who is the victor. She is  
now hot-foot to do what should have been  
done soon after she joined the Allies.  
At the eleventh hour she is taking steps  
as to closing German establishments, and  
performing other acts which should have  
succeeded, at short interval, her espousal  
of the cause of the Allied side. On doing  
so she received material benefits in the  
form of remission or postponement of  
payments on account of Boxer indemnities,  
the funds resulting from which she  
has no contra to show. They have dis-  
appeared in the smouldering embers of  
northern and southern strife in China.  
It is unfortunate that all this has hap-  
pened from the Chinese point of view,  
because her representation at the Peace  
Conference must be thereby weakened.

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## SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

EDINBURGH, November 4.  
DR. ELSIE INGLIS.

One of the few bright pages that redeem the dark book of war records the noble career and self-sacrifice of Dr. Elsie Inglis. Already around her legends are gathering. It is amazing how a name begins to glow like a star, and then shine, and shine till it lights up the firmament. So it has been with the name of Dr. Elsie Inglis. What Florence Nightingale is to the English, so will be Elsie Inglis to generations of Scottish girls in the coming years—an inspiration and a huge note. A life of Dr. Elsie Inglis has just been published, and it is sufficient here to say that if she was fortunate in her life she is fortunate in her biography—Lady Frances Balfour. But with the suggestion of this volume before us, we may ask, What was this secret of the magnetic spell cast by this woman? First, undoubtedly, was her indomitable will. Here is an example of her character. Before being released by the Germans, she was ordered to sign a paper to the effect that the British prisoners were well treated. The heads of other units had signed it, but she would not. "Why should I sign this paper?" I do not know if all the prisoners are well treated by you, and therefore I decline. "You must sign it," was the answer of the Germans. "Well, make me," was the reply of Elsie Inglis; and they would not make her. This woman knew no fear, and however insurmountable seemed the difficulty, and however great the peril, the more resolute she became. For her native country she desired the place of greatest service. "I wish you could realise," she wrote from Olinda in 1917, "how the Serbs, Rumanians, and Poles count on us. What a comfort it is, to think that we are the most tenacious nation in Europe." In their eyes it all hangs on us. Elsie Inglis died in the height of her power, but her spirit will wield a great spell on the womanhood of Scotland for many generations. Many a Scots girl will say, as she reads the story, "I too can do noble things like her." And so Elsie Inglis will have her endless reward.

## THE NEW SCOTTISH V.C.

Lieut. D. T. MacIntyre, Argyll and Sutherland, attached Highland Light Infantry, who has been awarded the Victoria Cross, is a native of Islay, and was a student at Edinburgh University. He served first in Sinai and Palestine and afterwards in France. The gallant Lieutenant is a son of the Rev. A. S. MacIntyre, 25 Downy Terrace, Corstorphine, Edinburgh, who was formerly minister at Portmahomack U.P. Church, Islay, which is now a Free Church. He received his early education at George Watson's College; he is the second Watsonian to win the V.C. in the present war, the other being Commander Peel Ritchie, R.N. At present Lieut. MacIntyre is in hospital suffering from a bullet wound in the thigh.

## THE TIN POSITION.

Dealers in tin are inclined on balance, I am told, to look for a further adjustment in values on the downward grade, says the "Scotsman." Buying at present is confined to the satisfaction of urgent requirements, but that a certain amount of buying power is accumulating is not doubted. Little tin has come to hand lately, only about 175 tons having been accounted for in London last week, but a fairly large quantity is expected shortly at Liverpool. Considerably larger quantities of tin concentrates are being diverted from Bolivia to the United States direct. The returns for the eight months to August 31 show the equivalent of 2,558 tons of fine tin, as compared with 2,678 tons in the corresponding period of the previous year; whilst the tonnage coming to this side in the same period was only 10,668 tons, against 11,915 tons in 1917. How far Dutch tin has been purchased lately through the firm at Batavia acting for the Allies has not transpired. The buying of China tin has been entrusted, I am told, to one of the oldest and biggest British firms established in Hongkong.

## LORD NEWLAND AND GLASGOW.

A deed of trust for £25,000 has been executed by Lord and Lady Newlands for the endowment of the Lady Hozier Convalescent Home at Lanark, which is managed in connection with the Western Infirmary of Glasgow. The Home was built, equipped, and partially endowed in 1911 by the late Lord Newlands, then Sir William Wallace Hozier, Bart., in memory of his wife, and in pursuance of a suggestion made by her.

## MR. PONSONBY, M.P.

Mr. Ponsonby, M.P., has formally severed his connection with the Liberal Party by resigning his membership of the Scottish Liberal Association, and will contest Dundee as an independent democrat.

## LORD CAMPERDOWN'S ESTATE.

Besides heritable property, the late Earl of Camperdown left personal estate in England and Scotland of the value of £482,115.

## BIRTH RATE IN FRANCE.

The birth rate of France, statistics show, is slowly increasing, after many years in which it steadily declined. Whether a result of national application, since the war called so many men, of Mme. Brunschwig's theory of "winking at polygamy," officials do not state. Mme. Brunschwig, the nation's leading feminist, has said that greater toleration must be shown the unmarried mother and that polygamy, while not officially recognized, will be condoned because of the man shortage.

Repopulation of the country is considered by the government to the extent of paying a premium for every child and extending medical attention free to mothers. Professor Machat, a distinguished psychologist, who has made a study of the question, has issued an appeal to the French nation.

"If France is to maintain its vitality and its important place after the war," Professor Machat said, "it must fill the gaps made by those who have fallen in defence of their country. Unless this is done, peace will bring with it ultimate ruin." Recent statistics show that out of 86 departments, including Corsica, there are 63 where the death rate is higher than the birth rate. In some cases deaths exceed births by 50 per cent. In one of the southern departments there were 162 deaths and only 100 births in a stated period. The birth rate in France is 20 per 1,000 inhabitants. In Germany, it has been 34 per 1,000; 33 per 1,000 in Austria, and 49 per 1,000 in Russia. France's population in 1911 was 39,600,000. There was an increase of only 640,000 between 1901 and 1911. Between 1871 and 1911 France grew only 3,500,000. Germany grew by 33,000,000. This in spite of the fact that France only lost 15,000 a year by emigration and Germany 50,000 a year. By immigration France has been gaining about 30,000 a year. In 1850, 25 per cent of the population lived in cities; now it is 40 per cent.

## WHO'S WHO IN THE CASUALTIES.

The Very Rev. Dr. John Brown, ex-Moderator of the Church of Scotland, and of Bellouston, Glasgow, has lost the fourth of his sons. Captain the Hon. Ronald Ian Macdonald, Cameron, who died from pneumonia while on active service, was the only surviving son of Lord and Lady Macdonald, of Annandale Castle, Isle of Skye. His brother Archibald was killed at Krugersdorp in the South African War, and his other brother, Geoffrey Evan Hugh, died in November 1914 from wounds received in action. Captain Macdonald had the distinction of the Legion of Honour.

Lieut. A. R. Wood, D.C.M., M.M., Black Watch, son of Mrs. Wood, the Lilacs, Panmure Place, Montrose, has been wounded. He was previously wounded in September 1916. Lieut. Wood entered the Black Watch at the beginning of the war, and received his commission in 1917. He was formerly engaged in journalistic work on the "Dundee Advertiser," and later at Shanghai.

BLACK WATCH GENERALS. "It would be interesting to know which regiment has given the largest number of generals to our Army. The Black Watch, we are sure, would be well up the list. On all the fronts there are representatives of this fine old corps leading our troops into action. Brigadier-General T. B. Pollok M.C., is one of the most distinguished, and is as popular as he is daring. V. M. Fortune is a bright young Brigadier, rapidly forging ahead as a skilled tactician and leader of men. W. Green, who was also at one time an Adjutant of a Royal Scots Territorial battalion, is another advancing officer. Then there are Marjesson, Wauchope, Evans, Burton, Gordon-Duff, Harvey, and Sir John Maxwell—who is now Lieutenant-General and Colonel of the regiment. What is the secret of the success of the regiment? Part of it no doubt, is that chivalry and esprit de corps are leading characteristics of all officers who have worn the dark-hued tartan.

## AN EMERGENCY RATION TRAGEDY.

The details of a moving domestic tragedy have just reached me through an officer home on leave from France. The Army authorities, as is well known, attach the highest importance to the emergency ration, and the direst penalties follow its loss or its use except in case of absolute necessity. The ration is carried everywhere, and this officer carried his one home in his pack. Some days later he had occasion to examine his kit, and found a curious and hungry young nephew engaged in demolishing the precious ration. The young gentleman, however, he reports, still remains in good health.

## OBITUARY.

Peter Durham Hall Grant, only son of the late Peter Macpherson Grant, M.D., Indian Medical Service, and the late Mrs. Grant, Colinton, (China papers requested to copy.)

At Depot Harbour, near Parry Island, Ontario, Canada, of pneumonia, following Spanish influenza, Thomas Scollay, M.B., Ch.B., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Scollay, Strathkiness, Fife, and late of China.

At Eskdale Lodge, Eskbank, Jane Anne White, relict of the late James Goldie, and widow of John Inglis, Hongkong.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY, Jan. 19TH.

Holy Communion (7.50 a.m.)  
Matins (11 a.m.)  
Responses, Psalms, O.M. and Laves: Te Deum, Catechism, Turlin and Tallis (2nd day); Benedictus, Haverhill (7th evening). Hymns, 189, 77 (50).  
God Save the King.

N.B.—Psalm 96, verses 1, 3, 7 and G.P. in unison. Psalm 96, verses 1, 3, 7, 8, 10 and 11 in unison. Hymns 189, verses 1 and 4 in unison. Hymn 77, verses 1 and 6 in unison.  
Holy Communion (12 noon).  
Responses, Psalms, Fossell, Battisbill and Hayes; Magnificat, Barby; Anne Dinitia, Barnby (28th evening). Hymns, 78, 190, 81.  
N.B.—Psalm 98, verses 1, 3, 6 and 8 in unison. Psalm 98, verses 1, 3, 6 and 8 in unison. Psalm 100, verses 1 and 3 in unison. Psalm 101, verses 1, 3, 6 and 9 in unison. Hymn 78, verses 1 and 3 in unison. Hymn 189, verses 1 and 3 in unison. Hymn 81, verses 1 and 4 in unison.

## St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY, Jan. 19TH.

Note—Special Collection for Missions.

Holy Communion  
Morning Prayer at 11 a.m.  
Responses, Psalms, of the 19th  
Morning:—XCV Old Melody; XCVI Laves: XCVII Dr. Macfarren; Te Deum, St. Jude; Benedictus, Barnby. Hymns, 1, 356 (A & M. 335), 189, 448 (A & M. 218).  
Evening Prayer at 6 p.m.  
Responses, Psalms, of the 19th  
Evening:—XCVIII Russell; XCIX Battisbill; O Battisbill; O Hayes; Magnificat, Smart (22nd Evening); Anne Dinitia, Fossell. Hymns, 189 (A & M. 338), 690 (A & M. 370), 662 (5th tune), 38 (A & M. 477).  
Vesper Hymn.

## Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Sunday Service, January 19th.

Morning Service, 11 a.m.  
Hymns, 381, 572, 389, 321, 625.  
Evening Service, 6 p.m.  
Hymns, 599, 198, 405, 371.  
Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie.

## St. Peter's Church, West Point.

Sunday, Jan. 19th, 1919.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.  
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.  
Preacher: Mr. T. F. Fleming.

## Peak Church.

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.

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## First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road.

Sundays, 11 a.m.

Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

## Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

Morning Service, 10.15 a.m.

Evening Service, 6.15 p.m.

## Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Arsenal Street.

Sunday Evening, Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

## St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## Roman Catholic Cathedral, Gloucester.

Mass at 6, 7 and 8.30 a.m.

High Mass at 8 a.m.

6.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## CHARGE AGAINST POLICE RESERVIST.

Charges of a serious nature were heard before Mr. C.A.D. Melbourne this morning against Jose Portaria, described as an Eurasian and Henrique d'Aquino, a member of the Police Reserve. The allegations were that Jose Portaria (1) on December 19 last stole \$30 in notes from a dwelling house and (2) he in conjunction with d'Aquino and others not in custody demanded with menaces the sum of \$30 from one Lai Yi Ting living at No. 8 Sai Street. D'Aquino was charged with the latter offence.

The defendants pleaded not guilty. Mr. F. X. d'Almada, appeared for Portaria and d'Aquino was defended by Mr. Hall, of Wilkinson and Grist. Bail was fixed at \$1,000 for Portaria and at \$200 for d'Aquino.

The defendants pleaded not guilty. Mr. F. X. d'Almada, appeared for Portaria and d'Aquino was defended by Mr. Hall, of Wilkinson and Grist. Bail was fixed at \$1,000 for Portaria and at \$200 for d'Aquino.

Portaria's case will be heard next Thursday and Friday, and that of d'Aquino on the latter date.

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

## IS THIS HOW YOU FEEL.

Viscount Kato writes in a Tokyo paper: Another important thing which our countrymen can hardly understand is the idea regarding a League of Nations. Confessing frankly, I myself am quite doubtful as to the practicability of the scheme. I have studied the idea through Viscount Grey's address, which I have read several times, but I cannot help but say that I am unable to understand what he is driving at. It seems to me that the idea is nothing but a dream of dreamers. Yet, I think that I may be able to understand it well if I go to England and hear what Viscount Grey says because I know him personally and am convinced that he is not a dreamer but a practical man. The other day I heard Viscount Uchida, our Foreign Minister, talk on the League of Nations idea, but I wonder whether he really understands the idea as completely as Viscount Grey. President Wilson and other statesmen in the West. It is really difficult to understand how war can be stopped simply by the establishment of a League of Nations, while mankind is mankind and competition and conflict among nations still remain. This is the reason why I say that our countrymen must understand the Western thoughts more fully.

Machinery imported into Foochow during 1917 was valued at Tls. 44,862 and for the previous year at Tls. 28,331 showing an increase of Tls. 16,531.

A Chinese woman, living in Wong Ka Wai, New Territory, reports that on the 15th instant at 11 p.m. three men, one of whom was armed with a butcher's knife and carried a lighted torch, demanded her "money or her life." They escaped after stealing \$14 from a box.

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## THE ARMED ROBBERY.

## AN ARREST MADE.

A sequel to the robbery at the office of Messrs. Gibb Listering was the arrest of a Chinese who was brought before Mr. C.A.D. Melbourne at the Police Court this morning and charged with participating in the robbery. The case was remanded until next Saturday.

## GOVERNMENT GAZETTE ITEMS.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Monday February 3 to be observed as a General Holiday. But the Police Magistrates Department is excluded.

H.M. the King has been pleased to entrust the seals of the Colonial Department to the Rt. Hon. Viscount Milner. The text of the Armistice with Turkey is given.

Messrs. C. H. Gale, E. W. Hamilton, and A. Denison are the Board of Arbitrators to determine compensation for certain Crown Lands resumed. They begin on January 28.

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Minced Beef	60	Beef Steak Pie	80
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Demobilisation  
of the Army.A CRITICAL TWELVE MONTHS  
AHEAD.

London, January 16.

Sir Auckland Geddes has made a statement regarding the complicated problems of demobilisation. He urges the public and the Army to exercise patience and to carefully study the many sides of the thorny question. He said that Sir Douglas Haig and Mr. Winston Churchill were considering the means for speeding up the discharge of more private men.

The machinery of release was steadily improving and was proceeding along lines designed to avoid industrial chaos and the evils which would come by creating large masses of unemployed. The official policy was that there should not yet be general demobilisation but we were demobilising in a way which would give the country a homogeneous army at any moment to meet emergencies.

Sir Auckland Geddes concluded by warning that the next twelve months would be critical, but said there was great reason for optimism and if we faced the situation as we had faced the war we should win through.

## BRITISH ARMY OF OCCUPATION.

London, January 16.

An authoritative statement has been issued which outlines the following plan which is being tackled for demobilisation. An army of occupation for the Rhine is being created. Though of moderate size it is of a high standard of efficiency. It will be for service until the Germans have made the required reparation. When this is completed then the remainder of the Army will be demobilised according to the priority of the Trade Category.

The army of occupation will consist of men who have done the least military service but they will be compensated by the granting of substantially increased pay.

HOLY CITY OF MEDINA  
CAPITULATES.MOSQUE USED AS AN AMMUNITION  
DEPOT.

London, January 16.

The Press Bureau issues the following message from Cairo. The Holy City of Medina has capitulated to King Hussein under the terms of the Armistice with Turkey.

The delay in bringing the garrison into compliance with the terms was due to the long isolation necessitating permission for the interchange of special communications with Constantinople.

The sacred character of the city rendered it necessary to secure its capitulation by arrangement and not by assault. Moreover the Turks had used the Great Mosque as a chief ammunition depot and so not a single shell could be thrown into the city without risking the destruction of the Tomb of the Prophet.

Emir Abdulla, representing King Hedjaz entered Medina on the 15th instant and was welcomed with great enthusiasm. He proceeded to the Tomb of the Prophet where he offered the midday prayer.

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BRITISH MINERS' ULTIMATUM.  
A SIX HOURS' DAY.

London, January 15.

The British Miners' Federation at their conference at Southport passed a resolution that the Government be informed that the miners intend to have a six hours' day. If the Government will not agree, the miners will fix a date themselves for the commencement of this.

The conference also demanded the nationalisation of mines.

## PORTUGAL.

## CAUSE OF REVOLUTION.

London, January 15.

A Madrid message on January 14 said postal communication with Portugal was interrupted, but that reports from the frontier said the revolution was carried on chiefly by troops from France with the object of replacing the Government by supporters of ex-President Machado.

London, January 15.

Badajoz reports that telegraphic communication with Portugal is restored. It is reported from Elvas that Lisbon is now quiet, the sedition movement of Santarem completely suppressed, and the Government master of the situation.

## MR. BARNES GOES TO PARIS.

TO VOICE THE FEELINGS OF  
LABOUR.

London, January 16.

Mr. Barnes, of the War Cabinet, has gone to the Peace Conference at the special invitation of Mr. Lloyd George. Interviewed he said he would voice the feelings of British labour in Paris. He said that he advocated that after the conference some authority should be established, responsible to the League of Nations, to consider all industrial questions with a view to promoting humane conditions in labour all over the world.

## GERMAN MINESWEEPERS' STRIKE.

Amsterdam, January 15.

The "Rheinische Westelische Zeitung" states that the crews of all the German minesweepers have struck demanding higher pay.

## UNREST IN RUSSIA.

## PEASANT REVOLT.

London, January 16.

A telegram from Stockholm states that there is growing opposition in Russia against the Bolshevik regime.

A violent peasant rising has occurred in the interior of Russia against the Bolshevik Peasant Committees who are exercising a tyrannical dictatorship. The employees of three of the largest munition factories in Russia have struck for an agreement with the bourgeoisie and an end to the civil war.

## AN OVERSEAS ARMY.

London, January 16.

Plans are being inaugurated for the creation in the near future of a post-war army to garrison India and other places abroad.

## WEATHER REPORT.

January 15, 12h. 45m.—No returns from Vladivostok and the Philippines. Pressure has decreased slightly over the east coast the Loochoos, and the south of Japan. It has increased considerably over N. China and N. Japan, and slightly elsewhere. The anticyclone has moved to the south-east of Japan, and another has developed to the north of the Yangtze Valley. Fresh to strong winds may be expected along the China coast, and over the N. China sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.29 inches, against an average of 0.53 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. on the 16th January 1919.

1.—Temperature to Cap Rock: N. E. winds, fresh; fine generally.

2.—Fuzhou Channel: N. winds fresh to strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamoo: The same as No. 1.

4.—North coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant,  
Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 15, 1919.

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day	On day at 5 p.m.	On day at 10 p.m.
Barometer	30.12	30.15	30.15
Temperature	64	65	71
Humidity	84	87	72
Direction of Wind	S	E	NW
Force	5	3	1
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Winds: open air temperature on the 15th—64. Lowest open air temperature on the 15th—44.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 15, 1919.

## HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1905-8.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 1 foot 4 inches to the height given in the table.

January 10th to 26th, 1919.

Day	Time	High Water		Low Water	
		Height	Time	Height	Time
Jan 10	10.15	4.0	10.15	1.0	10.15
Jan 11	11.15	4.1	11.15	1.1	11.15
Jan 12	12.15	4.2	12.15	1.2	12.15
Jan 13	13.15	4.3	13.15	1.3	13.15
Jan 14	14.15	4.4	14.15	1.4	14.15
Jan 15	15.15	4.5	15.15	1.5	15.15
Jan 16	16.15	4.6	16.15	1.6	16.15
Jan 17	17.15	4.7	17.15	1.7	17.15
Jan 18	18.15	4.8	18.15	1.8	18.15
Jan 19	19.15	4.9	19.15	1.9	19.15
Jan 20	20.15	5.0	20.15	2.0	20.15
Jan 21	21.15	5.1	21.15	2.1	21.15
Jan 22	22.15	5.2	22.15	2.2	22.15
Jan 23	23.15	5.3	23.15	2.3	23.15
Jan 24	24.15	5.4	24.15	2.4	24.15
Jan 25	25.15	5.5	25.15	2.5	25.15
Jan 26	26.15	5.6	26.15	2.6	26.15

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Charonessa.—35,945 lbs.  
Dancistown.—25,000 lbs.  
Klabang.—25,000 lbs.  
Krian.—19,500 lbs.  
Sungei Krian.—34,400 lbs.  
Sungei Ray.—50,816 lbs.  
Ayer Gajah.—10,800 lbs.  
Ayer Panas.—40,070 lbs.  
Balgownie.—25,560 lbs.  
Bukit Kudu.—9,000 lbs.  
Glenally.—20,800 lbs.  
Pajam.—25,417 lbs.  
Pantai.—13,000 lbs.  
Port Sydenham.—5,300 lbs.  
Tunka.—14,64 lbs.  
Teluk Anson.—18,416 lbs.  
Borneo Perak.—31,224 lbs.  
Dindang.—12,500 lbs.  
Kalbi.—3,400 lbs.  
Cicely.—30,377 lbs.  
Glocester.—18,175 lbs.  
Glocester.—20,380 lbs.  
Hill Rise.—17,400 lbs.  
Holland.—3,369 lbs.  
Lower Perak.—16,560 lbs.  
Ratanui.—2,458 lbs.  
Troak.—27,250 lbs.  
Kuch Krai.—17,000 lbs.  
Inch Kenneth.—36,400 lbs.  
Glenahel.—30,240 lbs.  
Kajang.—36,030 lbs.  
Sungei Ramal.—22,140 lbs.  
Conneram.—4,040 lbs.  
Consolidated Rubber.—35,307 lbs.  
Soleter.—14,010 lbs.; to date 79,370 lbs.  
Highlands and Lowlands.—124,427 lbs.  
Walsford.—44,000 lbs.; to date 458,474 lbs.  
Rim (Malacca).—45,500 lbs.; to date 254,784 lbs.  
Rubber Estates of Krian.—40,010 lbs.; current financial year 374,172 lbs.  
Ample Johore.—11,517 lbs.; to date 105,416 lbs.  
Nordland (Johore).—41,884 lbs.; to date 622,400 lbs.  
Bukit Katil.—12,533 lbs.; eight months, 91,035 lbs.  
Mandi-Tekong.—10,877 lbs.; five months, 47,431 lbs.  
Pantene (Selangor).—30,422 lbs.; eight months 214,263 lbs.  
Changkat Salak.—85,000 lbs.; twelve months 810,000 lbs.  
Chevick.—45,500 lbs.; twelve months 468,178 lbs.  
Kamuning.—59,935 lbs.; six months 341,493 lbs.  
Kimanis.—43,800 lbs.; twelve months 405,300 lbs.  
Kombak.—70,000 lbs.; twelve months 479,000 lbs.  
Labu.—87,343 lbs.; twelve months 490,160 lbs.  
Melville Development Syndicate.—14,345 lbs.; twelve months 158,730 lbs.  
Port Dickson Lark.—37,796 lbs.; nine months 419,518 lbs.  
Salangor United.—95,418 lbs.; nine months 123,139 lbs.  
Semblan.—32,710 lbs.; five months 162,918 lbs.  
United Sui Detong.—35,114 lbs.; twelve months 784,456 lbs.  
United Temiang.—62,918 lbs.; five months 247,826 lbs.

DELEGATION LEAVING  
CANTON.

The Constitutional Government has formally announced its appointment of delegates to the coming Shanghai Peace Conference. They are Tang Shao-yi, ex-Premier of the Republic and one of the seven Administrative Directors of the Constitutional Government, who will have the rank of Senior Delegate, and Chang Shih-chao, Hu Han-min, Miu Chia-shou, Tang Yen, Kuo Chen-sheng, Liu Kuang-jieh, Wang Pai Chan, Peng Yun-yi, Jao Ming-luan and Li Shu-ying.

The delegates are leaving Canton and expect to be in Shanghai by January 20, if possible.

## AN HISTORIC MEETING.

The Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, writing at noon on Sunday, November 10, states:—

It is now possible to give full details of the journey of the German plenipotentiaries to the French lines.

It was at nine o'clock on Thursday evening when the delegates, in three motor cars, arrived by the La Capelle road, which from five o'clock had been lit up by powerful searchlights the better to indicate the spot where they had to be met. The cars were preceded by German pioneers, who were engaged in repairing the road. It was at the request of the German Command that the French command had fixed the itinerary to the French advanced posts, and orders had been given to cease fire on this part of the front. It was shortly after seven o'clock that the French advanced guards at Haudroy, about a mile and a half north-west of La Capelle, on the right wing of General Debeney's army, was reached.

When the three motor-cars arrived the officer advanced and verified the identity of the envoys, whose arrival had been previously notified by a German major and two non-commissioned officers, who bore a very large white flag, while each wore a white armband. Herr Erzberger, Count Oberdorff, General Gündell, and General von Euselew presented their papers to the French officer in return. These indicated the powers with which they had been invested.

Meanwhile a motor-car in which were five officers of the French General Staff had arrived. These officers had been charged with the duty of conducting the delegates to the place of meeting with Marshal Foch and Sir Rosalyn Wemyss. Yet another car from the French General Staff appeared, and a move was made in the direction of the west. The German envoys arrived at Francport Chateau, known as the Chateau des Bonhommes, which belongs to the Marquis de l'Aigle. It is a fine mansion, standing a short distance from the Aisne, on the border of the forest of Laigue, and quite near Choisy-au-Bac. In the park electric lamps had been lighted, and in front of the chateau orderly officers of Marshal Foch awaited the German party, who

were courteously received. Dinner had been prepared for them, and after the meal they went to bed.

They were up betimes on Friday morning, and left the chateau for Bethmondes Station, on the Compiegne-Soissons line, in the heart of the Forest of Compiegne, the place fixed for the meeting with Marshal Foch. At some distance from the station Marshal Foch's special train had been drawn up, and a saloon had been arranged for the reception.

When the delegates entered the saloon Marshal Foch, General Weygand, and Sir R. Wemyss were standing. Herr Erzberger, wearing a Tyrolean hat, was at the head of the envoys. Marshal Foch's first question was, "Who are you, gentlemen?" Herr Erzberger replied, "We are the representatives of the German Government come to solicit an armistice." The German Minister of State then introduced his companions. The military members of the delegation saluted, and the civilians bowed. An aide-de-camp of Marshal Foch then verified the credentials of the envoys, who were afterwards conducted to an adjoining compartment, where breakfast, of bread, butter, coffee, chocolate, and milk was served. When the envoys returned to the saloon, Herr Erzberger thus opened the conversation:—

"Marshal," he said, "at the start we ought to inform you that we have received from our Government a mission to demand from now a suspension of hostilities."

Marshal Foch immediately replied:—

"That, gentlemen, is impossible, because in the armistice conditions that I am going to remit to you what you have suggested is foreseen, for in a clause it is decided that there will not be a suspension of hostilities until the armistice is signed. I am now going to make known to you the clauses fixed by the Entente Powers."

In a clear voice Marshal Foch read out the conditions. The plenipotentiaries listened in silence, without manifesting the least feeling. The document was handed to Herr Erzberger, who was informed that a delay of seventy-two hours in which to study it in detail would be allowed.

The delegates asked to be permitted to confer among themselves, and re-

turned to the Chateau of Francport for that purpose. They discussed the conditions for an hour, and then Herr Erzberger asked an officer of the French General Staff to demand a courier with a copy of the armistice conditions to the German Main Headquarters at Spa, where the Kaiser and the Chancellor were assembled. Marshal Foch acquiesced. Herr Erzberger's request was transmitted by wireless telegraphy from the Eiffel Tower to Spa. It was in French.

The courier designated was Captain Heldorf, one of the subordinate members of the German mission. He started on his journey, but was unable to pass the German lines because of the heavy German machine gun and artillery fire on the heights of Fournies, by which road he had to take passage. As his motor-car was in danger of being hit by the German shells notwithstanding that the white flag he carried was plainly visible, the courier hesitated. Meanwhile, the German envoys, seated in the special train placed at their disposal, awaited the return of the courier, who was expected back in the French lines to-day.

Writing later, the correspondent says: It is now known that at the last moment, when an aeroplane had arranged to start with Captain Heldorf, a wireless message came from the German Main Headquarters announcing that orders had been given to the batteries to cease fire on the La Capelle road; and that Captain Heldorf could start on his journey by motor car. Almost immediately afterwards the firing ceased, and the courier drove off in the direction of Spa. An explanation from Berlin stated that an ammunition depot had taken fire, and that a series of explosions had followed. The courier himself was informed of this incident by a wireless message, and was given orders to cross the German lines without delay.

News that the courier had arrived at Spa was known in Paris at the close of this forenoon. While waiting the German envoys again took up the idea of the journey being made by aeroplane, to which the French authorities, as on the previous day, offered no objection. Consequently, a French aeroplane started for the Main German Headquarters carrying a second courier.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PORTUGUESE INSURRECTION  
SUPPRESSED.

London, January 16th.  
The Portuguese Government has issued a statement that the insurrectionary movement which was supported by the Bolshevik agents has been suppressed.

ALLIES RELIEVE DISTRESS IN  
VIENNA.

Vienna, January 16th.  
Perhaps for the first time in history the British troops this morning marched through the streets of Vienna.  
They included a detachment of the War Machine, conveying a trainload of provisions, freely given by the British and Italians to relieve the starving women and children of Vienna.  
Crowds cordially welcomed the troops the Commander of whom in a speech at the Townhall stated that the gift was made in recognition of the fact that Austrian treatment of prisoners was more humane than the German.  
A few other free trainloads will follow, after which thousands of tons of food stuffs will be sent against payment.  
The Burgomaster, expressing hearty thanks, declared that the city's foodstocks had been practically exhausted.

AN UNKNOWN QUANTITY IN  
POLAND.

Paris, January 16th.  
Bolshevism in Poland is an unknown quantity.  
There is a considerable Bolshevik party in Estonia and the Allies wish to protect the country from it. Riga holds as many Bolsheviks as anti-Bolsheviks.

## BAVARIA.

London, January 16th.  
It was reported from Copenhagen yesterday that Herr Eisner's party was heavily defeated in the Bavarian National Elections, securing only 4 seats.  
It is likely to lead to a Cabinet crisis.  
The Centre Party secured 54; the Government Socialists 30; the Democrats 22; and the Peasants 10.

## LUXEMBURG.

Luxemburg, January 16th.  
The Chamber, by 20 votes to 19, has chosen Princess Charlotte to succeed the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg, who abdicated.

## BERLIN.

Amsterdam, January 16th.  
A telegram from Berlin on January 16th states that a procession of the Majority Socialists in the *Unter den Linden*, for which the crowds of sight-seers had congregated, was broken up by a sharp Spartacist fusillade from the house-tops.

## DISORDER STILL.

Despite the apparent triumph of the Government in Berlin news from other German centres shows that considerable disorder prevails. It is reported from Bremen that the Majority Socialists beat the Independents and Communists at the Soviet polls whereupon the latter proclaimed a republic. However, Government troops are besieging them at Wilhelmshaven. It is reported from Olenburg that the President of the Ost-Prussian Republic has overthrown the Majority Socialist Government, re-established the Czarist Soviet, proclaimed a socialist republic and occupied the banks.

## THE RESTORATION OF ORDER.

Herr Reinhardt, the War Minister, outlining the Government's immediate plans, said that steps were being taken to ensure the orderly conduct of the National Assembly elections on January 19th and also the disarming of the population and the restoration of order throughout Germany.

## CHAOS IN HUNGARY.

Vienna, January 16th.  
A correspondent paints a gloomy picture of the situation in Hungary and says that the weak and incompetent Government at Budapest has led to chaos throughout the country.  
A serious Bolshevik outbreak is imminently feared. This outbreak is assisted by the propaganda of Hungarian war prisoners from Russia who have supplied the necessary funds.

As an example of the weakness of the Karolyi Cabinet in dealing with this danger, it arrested 150 Bolsheviks one day and released them the following day. In the meantime the Czechs, Slovaks, Rumanians, Serbs and Jugoslavs have occupied a great portion of Hungary. In some places they have taken possession of the coalfields, almost entirely cutting off supplies, and bringing industries to a standstill.

This will probably necessitate the closing down of the flour mills.  
The holding of National Elections is practically impossible, one reason alone being that Czechs and Slovaks occupy large districts.

ENTENTE INVITED TO SAVE  
HUNGARY.

The Hungarian Government is equipping money appealingly and the bankruptcy of the State is regarded as inevitable.

Ministers who formerly received a salary of 25,000 crowns annually, are now taking 100,000 crowns, while 77 Under-Secretaries have been appointed each of whom draws 40,000 crowns.  
The Ministry spent 7,000,000 crowns in a few weeks in merely temporary relief of invaded soldiers at Budapest.  
Unemployed persons receive 50 crowns daily, of which manufacturers contribute three-fourths.

One of the largest munition firms, who recently employed 30,000 persons, are now paying them 5,000 crowns weekly.  
The streets are unsafe.  
Bolsheviks pay the soldiers 100 crowns slightly to guard their houses.  
The troops are strongly expressed that the *Karolyi* should send troops to save the country from Bolshevism.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SHIPPING RESTRICTIONS  
RELAXED.OWNERS NOW FREE TO MAKE  
OWN ARRANGEMENTS.

London, January 14.  
The Press Bureau says: The Shipping Controller announces that British ships completing voyages after March 1 at United Kingdom ports or, in exceptional cases, ports abroad will be released from requisition except when required for Government purposes. Shipowners are now free to make arrangements for the employment of ships from the time indicated subject to the Controller's approval. With a view to safeguarding the essential imports and exports of the United Kingdom and the Allies it will be necessary for some time to maintain a system of direction as to employment and limitation of freight rates for essential commodities. The power of requisition is reserved for use should necessity arise and release does not apply to ships wholly engaged in naval and military services.

London, January 15.  
Lord Inchcape and Sir Owen Phillips have jointly completed an agreement with the Shipping Controller to take over Government contracts with shipbuilders for 137 vessels now being constructed. The vessels will be offered to the shipping community on the same terms as acquired on an equitable basis having regard to war-time losses. The transaction involves twenty million sterling. Shippers have been given eight days in which to make applications. The arrangement is undoubtedly one of the most important steps yet taken in the direction of "demobilising" industry. The "Times" pays a tribute to the public spirit of Lord Inchcape and Sir Owen Phillips.

BOATS DUE TO ARRIVE  
AND DEPART.

[This schedule of boats due to arrive and depart is not complete as yet, but as soon as full information concerning the movements of ocean-going ships with Hongkong as a port of call can be secured, it will be published complete in this column.]

## VESSELS DUE TO ARRIVE.

JANUARY 19.  
NORR, P. & O. from Singapore.  
PHILAM, B. and S., from Japan.

JANUARY 21.  
NIKRO MARU, N.Y.K., from Japan, with mail.

JANUARY 22.  
ECUADOR, Pacific Mail, from San Francisco.

SIBERIA MARU, T.K.K., from San Francisco, with mail.

JANUARY 23.  
TAMBA MARU, N.Y.K., from Japan, via Shanghai, with mail.

JANUARY 26.  
SPHINX, M.M., from Shanghai.

JANUARY 27.  
INALA MARU, N.Y.K., from London, via Singapore, with mail.

JANUARY 29.  
HYSON, B. and S., from Japan.

JANUARY 31.  
CYCLOPS, B. and S., from Singapore.

FEBRUARY 2.  
FYRHUS, B. and S., from Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 10.  
ATREUS, B. and S., from Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 10.  
HOKUTO MARU, D. & Co., from Japan.

FEBRUARY 11.  
HECTOR, B. and S., from Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 15.  
BANRI MARU, D. & Co., from Java.

FEBRUARY 19.  
ELPENOR, B. and S., from Liverpool.

FEBRUARY 19.  
COLOMBO, Pacific Mail, from San Francisco.

FEBRUARY 22.  
AGAPENOR, P. and S., from Liverpool.

PROTESILAUS, B. and S., from Singapore.

DEPARTING VESSELS.

JANUARY 20.  
PRIAM, B. and S., for Japan, via Shanghai.

NORR, P. and O., for Japan, via Shanghai.

JANUARY 21.  
VITIM, J.M. & Co., for Straits and Calcutta.

KATORI MARU, N. Y. K., for Sydney.

JANUARY 22.  
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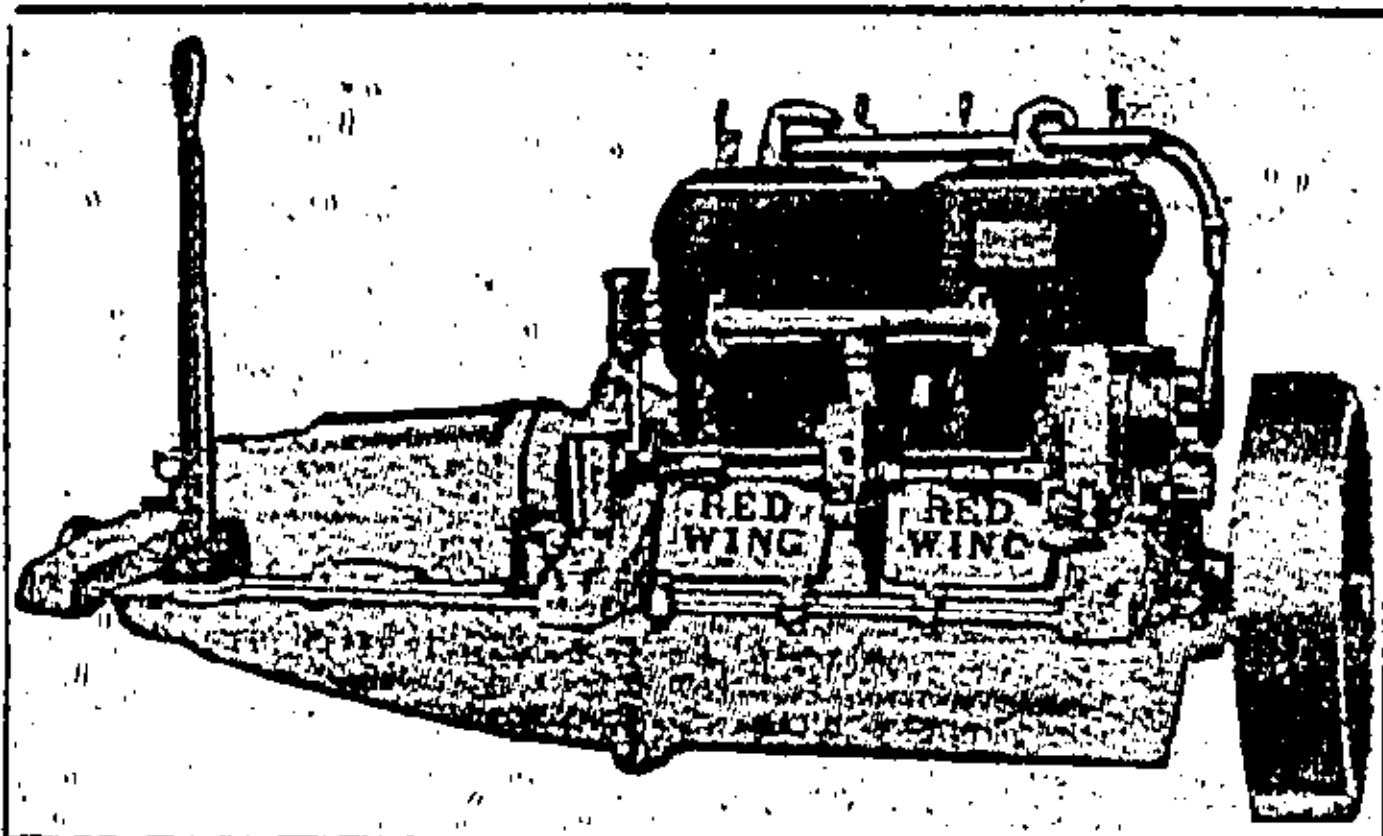
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The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria, and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwas or Mohammurah in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of China, Vienna, Trieste, Padua, Venice and Bologna in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

The Parcel Post Services to British East Africa and Egypt (except for members of the Expeditionary Forces), and to Abyssinia, Bagdad, Eritrea, French Somal Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portuguese East Africa, Zanzibar and Russia have been suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 9 o'clock on the previous evening.

## INWARD MAILS.

SUNDAY, January 19.

Straits—Per NORE.

FRIDAY, January 24.

Straits—Per HEJAZ.

## OUTWARD MAILS.

## TO-DAY.

Hoihow and Haiphong—Per BUNG ON, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, January 19.

Swatow and Straits—Per LINAN, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou via Keelung—Per AMAKUSA MARU, 9 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji—Per NORE, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, January 20.

Bangkok—Per WAISHING, 8 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 3 p.m.

TUESDAY, January 21.

Philippine Islands, Shanghai and North China, Japan via Nagasaki.

Canada, United States, Central and South America, Europe via Victoria, B.C.—Per CHICAGO MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m., Letters 10.30 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per SINGAN, 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou—Per HAIHONG, 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, January 22.

Philippine Islands, Japan via Moji, Canada, United States, Central and South America, Europe via Victoria, B.C.—Per CHICAGO MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m., Letters 10.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, January 23.

Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, January 24.

Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, January 25.

Shanghai and North China—Per YINGCHOW, 2 p.m.

## PASSENGERS.

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